

ANALYSIS OF PROPOSITION C

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Voter approval of Proposition C would amend Sections 214 and 508 of the Long Beach City Charter, relating to term limits, and would be applicable to the City Council, Mayor and Charter-mandated commissions, as are more particularly described below:

Presently, the Long Beach City Charter provides that the Mayor and members of the City Council may serve no more than two full four-year terms unless the candidate chooses to run for office as a write-in. The proposed amendment would increase those term limits, and permit the Mayor and the City Council to serve a maximum of three full four-year terms.

Presently, the Long Beach Charter provides that members of Charter-mandated commissions may serve no more than two full four-year terms, except that members of the Harbor Commission may serve a maximum of two full six-year terms and members of the Water Commission may serve a maximum of two full five-year terms. The proposed amendment would modify the term limits of the Harbor Commission and the Water Commission to permit members serve a maximum of three full four-year terms.